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SUBJECT: UNEF: CANADIAN/POLISH LOGISTICS UNIT

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1. REQUEST EMBASSY URGENTLY DISCUSS UNEF LOGISTIC PROBLEM AT APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF EXTAFF, DRAWING AS APPROPRIATE ON REFTELS. WHILE PROBLEM IS ESSENTIALLY BETWEEN UN AND GOC AND DECISION IS FOR CANADIANS TO MAKE, WE BELIEVE EARLY SETTLEMENT IS IMPORTANT AND IN INTERESTS OF UN PEACEKEEPING EFFORT IN MIDDLE EAST.

2. YOU MAY INDICATE WE FULLY SYMPATHETIC TO PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED BY CANADA IN ITS NEGOTIATIONS WITH UN. NEVERTHELESS, WE WOULD BE CONCERNED IF UN INABILITY TO ORGANIZE LOGISTICS FUNCTION FOR UNEF PRODUCED DANGEROUS DELAY IN ASSEMBLING REMAINDER OF UNEF OR IF LOGISTICS FUNCTIONS WERE LEFT TO COUNTRIES NEITHER POLITICALLY NOR TECHNICALLY
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UP TO TASK. IN ADDITION, WE WOULD SEE CONSIDERABLE DIS-ADVANTAGE IN HAVING TO REOPEN QUESTION OF UNEF COMPOSITION AFTER COMPLEX NEGOTIATIONS THAT LED TO PRESENT MIX.

3. THUS WE WANT TO REGISTER OUR HOPE THAT GOC AND UN CAN
PROMPTLY FIND PRACTICAL SOLUTION TO MEET EXIGENCIES OF
UNEF SITUATION. WHILE RESULT MAY NOT FULLY MEET IMPRESSIVE

CANADIAN PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS, IT COULD STILL SERVE OUR
COMMON INTEREST IN HELPING ESTABLISH AND KEEP IN EXISTENCE
A UN PEACEKEEPING FORCE THAT WOULD OPERATE WITH RELATIVE
EFFICIENCY AND DISINTERESTEDNESS IN PURSUIT OF ITS
ESSENTIAL MISSION. CASEY

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